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Report from Ponce—Transactions of Service.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, January 1, as follows:

Summary of transaction of Service during the month of December, 1905:

Vessels inspected.....	18
Bills of health issued.....	30
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	74
In transit.....	1, 424
Crew inspected.....	993
Vessels in quarantine.....	9
Passengers detained in quarantine.....	24
Immigrants inspected.....	29
Rejection.....	0
Pieces of baggage disinfected.....	74

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND
CITIES—UNTABULATED.

AUSTRALIA—*New South Wales, New Castle.*—Month of November, 1905. Estimated population, 50,900. Total number of deaths, 58, including 9 from tuberculosis.

Sydney.—Month of November, 1905. Estimated population, 518,570. Total number of deaths, 455, including diphtheria 4, enteric fever 2, scarlet fever 2, and 43 from tuberculosis.

BRAZIL—*Pernambuco.*—Two weeks ended November 30, 1905. Estimated population, 200,000. Total number of deaths, 256, including diphtheria 1, measles 1, whooping cough 1, smallpox 38, and 53 from tuberculosis.

Two weeks ended December 15, 1905. Total number of deaths, 268, including enteric fever 4, smallpox 42, plague 2, and 43 from tuberculosis.

CANADA—*Quebec, Sherbrooke.*—Month of December, 1905. Estimated population, 13,364. Total number of deaths, 22. No contagious diseases reported.

CUBA—*Habana.*—Month of November, 1905. Estimated population, 275,000. Total number of deaths, 445, including enteric fever 3, measles 1, yellow fever 7, dengue 1, and 104 from tuberculosis.

FRANCE—*Roubaix.*—Month of December, 1905. Estimated population, 124,660. Total number of deaths, 195, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 2, measles 2, scarlet fever 1, and 1 from whooping cough.

St. Etienne.—Two weeks ended December 15, 1905. Estimated population, 146,671. Total number of deaths, 128, including enteric fever 2, and 11 from tuberculosis.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales.*—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended December 30, 1905, correspond to an annual rate of 17.4 per 1,000 of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 15,609,377.

Bradford.—Two weeks ended December 30, 1905. Estimated population, 286,799. Total number of deaths, 155, including diphtheria 4, scarlet fever 4, and 9 from tuberculosis.

London.—One thousand six hundred and two deaths were registered during the week, including measles 59, scarlet fever 12, diphtheria 17, whooping cough 34, enteric fever 5, and 19 from diarrhea. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 17.8 per 1,000. In Greater London 2,211 deaths were registered. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 5 from diphtheria, 7 from measles and 3 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended December 30, 1905, in the 21 principal town districts of Ireland was 17.8 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,093,959. The lowest rate was recorded in Kilkenny, viz, 4.9, and the highest in Newtownards, viz, 51.5 per 1,000. In Dublin and suburbs 139 deaths were registered, including diphtheria, 2, enteric fever 3, whooping cough 1, and 20 from tuberculosis.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended December 30, 1905, correspond to an annual rate of 18.2 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,749,917. The lowest rate of mortality was recorded in Paisley, viz, 15.2, and the highest in Dundee, viz, 22.9 per 1,000. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 609, including measles 25, diphtheria 12, scarlet fever 3, enteric fever 4, and 7 from whooping cough.

HAWAII—Honolulu.—Month of December, 1905. Census population, 39,306. Total number of deaths, 68, including enteric fever 2, leprosy 1, and 7 from phthisis pulmonalis.

ITALY—Catania.—Year ended December 31, 1905. Estimated population, 160,000. Total number of deaths, 4,123, including diphtheria, 64, enteric fever 173, measles 4, scarlet fever 32, typhus fever 28, smallpox 98, and 131 from tuberculosis.

Milan.—Month of November, 1905. Estimated population, 541,184. Total number of deaths, 750, including diphtheria 6, enteric fever 16, measles 1, scarlet fever 1, and 85 from tuberculosis.

JAPAN—Nagasaki.—Ten days' ended December 20, 1905. Estimated population, 159,041. Total number of deaths not reported. No deaths from contagious diseases reported.

JAVA—Batavia.—Two weeks ended December 9, 1905. Estimated population, 160,000. Total number of deaths not reported. No contagious diseases.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—Manila.—Month of September, 1905. Census population, 219,941. Total number of deaths, 1,068, including enteric fever 4, whooping cough 1, cholera 118, plague 2, and 131 from tuberculosis.

SPAIN—*Barcelona*.—Ten days ended December 31, 1905. Estimated population, 600,000. Total number of deaths, 392, including diphtheria 4, enteric fever 4, measles 8, scarlet fever 1, smallpox 13, and 37 from tuberculosis.

WEST INDIES—*Curaçao*.—Two weeks ended January 5, 1905. Estimated population, 31,600. Total number of deaths, 37. No contagious diseases reported.

St. Thomas.—Month of December, 1905. Estimated population, 11,012. Total number of deaths, 35, including enteric fever 2, and 4 from tuberculosis.

Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, from December 30, 1905, to January 26, 1906.

[Reports received by the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service] [from American consuls through the Department of State, and from other sources.]

[For reports received from June 30, 1905, to December 29, 1905, see PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for December 29, 1905.]

[NOTE.—In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.]

CHOLERA.

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
India:				
Bombay	Dec. 6-12		1	
Calcutta	Nov. 12-Dec. 2		262	
Madras	Nov. 25-Dec. 15		22	
Philippine Islands:				
Manila	Aug. 23-Dec. 9	248	219	
Russia:				
General	Dec. 7-17	36	16	
Government of Lomza	Nov. 23-Dec. 21	17	3	
Government of Siedlec	Nov. 20-26	7	2	

YELLOW FEVER.

Brazil:				
Rio de Janeiro	Nov. 20-Dec. 24	20	13	
Sao Paulo	Dec. 6-12		1	
Colombia:				
Barranquilla	Nov. 28-Dec. 4	6	4	
Cartagena	Dec. 17-23	1	1	
Cuba:				
Habana	Dec. 25-Jan. 16	5	4	
Ecuador:				
Guayaquil	Dec. 4-17		10	
Mexico:				
Veracruz—				
Cordoba	Dec. 10-16	1	3	
Orizaba	Dec. 10-16	1	1	
Veracruz	Dec. 24-30	1	1	
Yucatan—				
Merida	Dec. 17-30	3	1	
Nicaragua:				
Managua	Dec. 10-16		1	
Panama:				
Colon	Dec. 8-14	1		